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David Whitley
Secretary of State

April 12, 2019

Austin R. Evers
American Oversight

Sent via Electronic Mail in care of Clay M. Goode: foia@americanoversight.org

Re: Request for records, TX-SOS-19-0407, received: March 29, 2019

Dear Mr. Evers:

This letter responds to your request for information under the Public Information Act, Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code (the "PIA"), which was received by the Office of the Texas Secretary of State (the "Office") via email on March 29, 2019 (the "Request"). In your Request, you indicate you are seeking records dating back to November 9, 2016 for:

All communications (including emails, email attachments, text messages, calendar invitations/entries, letters, memoranda, or other communications) between (a) any of the Texas state government officials listed in Column A below and (b) any of the individuals or entities listed in Column B below:

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We are processing your Request in accordance with the terms of the PIA. To that end, please find the attached information responsive to your Request.¹

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact our office at (512) 463-5770.

Sincerely,



Adam Bitter
General Counsel
Office of the Texas Secretary of State
generalcounsel@sos.texas.gov
AB/jw

Enclosures

¹ Please note that the PIA applies only to information already in existence as of the date the request is received and thus does not require a governmental body to prepare new information in response to a request. *See* Gov't Code §§ 552.002, .021, .227, .351; *A & T Consultants, Inc. v. Sharp*, 904 S.W.2d 668, 676 (Tex. 1995); *Fish v. Dallas Indep. Sch. Dist.*, 31 S.W.3d 678, 681 (Tex. App.—Eastland 2000, pet. denied); Attorney General Opinion H-90 (1973); Open Records Decision Nos. 452 at 2–3 (1986), 342 at 3 (1982), 87 (1975); Attorney General Opinion JM-48 at 2 (1983); Open Records Decision Nos. 476 at 1 (1987), 465 at 1 (1987).

From: Caroline Harris [mailto:Caroline.Harris@senate.texas.gov]
Sent: Monday, September 04, 2017 7:01 PM
To: Cammy Jones <CJones@sos.texas.gov>
Subject: Re: Sept. 5 works for SOS staff

Cammy, I apologize for all of the back and forth on this!

Due to Hurricane Harvey, several of the people that were going to participate, including DPS staff, cannot attend the meeting after all tomorrow.

Unfortunately we have not set another date or time yet but as soon as I have that information I'll let you know.

Thanks again for all of your help and patience!

-Caroline

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S7, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: Cammy Jones <CJones@sos.texas.gov>
Date: 9/1/17 11:20 AM (GMT-06:00)
To: Caroline Harris <Caroline.Harris@senate.texas.gov>
Subject: RE: Sept. 5 works for SOS staff

Thank you so much for offering, but we are fine with keeping the meeting.

I just sent Lindsey Aston and Anthony Giuliani a reminder.

Have a nice weekend.

From: Caroline Harris [mailto:Caroline.Harris@senate.texas.gov]
Sent: Friday, September 01, 2017 11:19 AM

To: Cammy Jones <CJones@sos.texas.gov>

Subject: RE: Sept. 5 works for SOS staff

Cammy, just wanted to check in with you about the meeting on September 5th.

Do we need to change the time or reschedule due to Hurricane Harvey?

Just let me know and we'll plan accordingly!

Thanks,

-Caroline

From: Cammy Jones [<mailto:CJones@sos.texas.gov>]

Sent: Tuesday, August 29, 2017 11:51 AM

To: Caroline Harris

Cc: Cammy Jones

Subject: RE: Sept. 5 works for SOS staff

Hi Caroline – Just checking in to see if you know about staffing as well as a location.

Thank you!

Cammy Jones

From: Caroline Harris [<mailto:Caroline.Harris@senate.texas.gov>]

Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2017 1:20 PM

To: Cammy Jones <CJones@sos.texas.gov>

Subject: RE: Sept. 5 works for SOS staff

Perfect, I'll send you the details on who else will be there and location as soon as we confirm!

Also, Linda had mentioned that Secretary Pablos might be available that day as well, could you look into his availability and let me know?

Thank you so much for helping me with this, I appreciate it!

From: Cammy Jones [<mailto:CJones@sos.texas.gov>]

Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2017 10:33 AM

To: Caroline Harris

Cc: Linda Payne

Subject: Sept. 5 works for SOS staff

Hi Caroline – Our staff is available on Sept. 5 at 3:00PM. Please let us know where Senator Hughes would like to meet and if others will attend.

Thank you,

Cammy Jones

Director, International Protocol
Office of the Secretary of State of Texas

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Rolando B. Pablos
Secretary of State

June 21, 2018

The Honorable Jodie Laubenberg
Texas House of Representatives
P.O. Box 2910
Austin, TX 78768-2910

Dear Representative Laubenberg,

The Texas Secretary of State's office cordially invites you to join a small delegation of Texas public officials to attend the National Election Security Summit in St. Louis, Missouri on September 10-11, 2018. The Summit will bring together national, state and local election authorities, along with officials from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Election Assistance Commission, Elections Infrastructure – Information Sharing and Analysis Center, security professionals, election experts, and other industry leaders to learn and share tangible best practices. These actionable security discussions will provide attendees useable steps to mitigate threats and vulnerabilities as election authorities prepare for the 2018 midterm elections.

As Chair of the Texas House Committee on Elections, you are uniquely positioned to engage with election officials from across the United States to learn more about strategies for strengthening the security of Texas' election systems and infrastructure.

Space is limited, so we encourage you to register before June 27, 2018, after which registration opens to the public. This is an invitation-only event, so please email ness2018@sos.mo.gov to receive a registration link. Summit details may be found at www.ness2018.com.

If you are not able to attend, please let us know if you would like to send a designee to join the Texas delegation at the Summit on behalf of your office or the Elections Committee.

Feel free to contact me or my office at your earliest convenience if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Pablos".

Rolando B. Pablos
Texas Secretary of State

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June 21, 2018

The Honorable Bryan Hughes
Texas Senate
P.O. Box 12068 – Capitol Station
Austin, TX 78711

Dear Senator Hughes,

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As Chair of the Texas Senate Select Committee on Election Security, you are uniquely positioned to engage with election officials from across the United States to learn more about strategies for strengthening the security of Texas' election systems and infrastructure.

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If you are not able to attend, please let us know if you would like to send a designee to join the Texas delegation at the Summit on behalf of your office or the Select Committee on Election Security.

Feel free to contact me or my office at your earliest convenience if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "R. Pablos".

Rolando B. Pablos
Texas Secretary of State

Linda Payne

Subject: Meeting w/Senator Kel Seliger
Location: Senator's Office, Room 1E.12

Start: Thu 1/24/2019 2:30 PM
End: Thu 1/24/2019 3:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Organizer: David Whitley

Contact:
May Gardner
Office Manager & Scheduler
Senator Kel Seliger
Room 1E.12
(512) 463-0131

Linda Payne

Subject: Sen Seliger
Location: Sen seliger's Office

Start: Tue 2/5/2019 2:45 PM
End: Tue 2/5/2019 3:15 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: David Whitley



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Senator Bryan Hughes >

The folks in Missouri said they are sending Drew the registration information so he will be able to join us.

Mon, Oct 22, 4:29 PM



@foxnews

Political operatives infiltrate mega church in DFW Texas and put out fake voter guides during Sunday services. The fake voter guides are very similar to the real voter guides, and were seized by church staff. Want a real voter guide, check out: www.visionamerica.org/vote



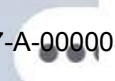
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Senator Bryan Hughes >



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You'll be receiving an election
law complaint on this.
Brantley Starr is ready for it.

Very good

Fri, Feb 1, 9:32 AM

Sorry I missed your calls. I am
in a meeting with homeland
security. I spoke with Drew just
now.

Mon, Mar 25, 12:19 PM

Is the \$13M still there?

Yes but spoken for

Monday 12:06 PM



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